

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently Amended) A method for communicating with a performer on a network having a provider computer and a user computer, the provider computer and the user computer communicating therebetween, and wherein the performer provides at least one service of an audio and video performance by a performer in real time, comprising:

accessing a user interface ~~on the provider computer~~ via the user computer, wherein the user interface includes data related to at least one performer;

selecting a performer from the user interface to provide at least one of said service audio and video performance;

transmitting a request ~~to the performer~~ to provide the ~~selected service~~ at least one of said audio and video performance in real time as a response to the request; and

receiving data for playing the selected service at least one of said audio and video representation of the performance over the network with the user computer in response to the request; wherein the data is for playing at least one of an audio and video representation of the performance that was performed in real time in response to the request.

2. (Currently Amended) A method as claimed in claim 1, wherein selecting a performer and requesting the performer to provide the service at least one of said audio and video performance occurs simultaneously.

3. (Currently Amended) A method as claimed in claim 1, further comprising selecting a service said at least one of said audio and video performance from a menu of ~~services~~ audio and video performances offered by the performer.

4. (Cancelled)

5. (Original) A method as claimed in claim 1, further comprising transmitting, by the user computer, predefined user criteria, and transmitting an interface to the user computer from the provider computer dependent upon the predefined user criteria.

6. (Original) A method as claimed in claim 5, wherein the predefined user criteria consists of any of from the following group: geographic areas of interest, performer identity, attributes of performers, type of performance, geographic location of performers, cost of performance, type of establishment, and geographic location of establishments.

7.-8 (Cancelled)

9. (Currently Amended) A method as claimed in claim 1, wherein accessing a user interface comprises accessing a website in an on-line communication session over the network, and wherein the selected service at least one of said audio and video performance comprises an on-line performance performed by the performer in real time during the on-line communication session, in response to request.

10. (Previously Presented) A method as claimed in claim 1, further comprising providing the provider computer with location information corresponding to the geographic location of the user computer and receiving by the user computer a communication over the network, the communication comprising an incentive having a value to a user of the user computer to visit a specified business establishment, wherein the incentive value is dependent upon the relative distance between the geographic location of the user computer and the specified business establishment.

11. (Previously Presented) A method as claimed in claim 10, wherein the incentive value is greater for a first geographic location of the user computer than for a second geographic location of the user computer, wherein the first geographic location of the user computer is further from the specified business establishment than the second geographic location of the user computer.

12. (Currently Amended) A method for operating a provider computer to provide performance data to a user computer on a network, the method comprising:

receiving a request from the user computer, the request corresponding to at least one performer;

generating electronic data corresponding to a live performance performed by the at least one performer in response to the request; and

transmitting the electronic data to the user computer over the network; and

receiving with the provider computer location information corresponding to the geographic location of the user computer and providing the user computer with a communication over the network, the communication comprising an incentive to a user of the user computer to visit a specified business establishment within the vicinity of the geographic location of the user computer.

13. (Previously Presented) A method as claimed in claim 12, wherein receiving a request from the user computer comprises:

providing the user computer with data over the network, the data corresponding to a plurality of performers; and

receiving an electronic communication from the user computer over the network, the electronic communication specifying at least one performer.

14. (Previously Presented) A method as claimed in claim 12, wherein generating electronic data corresponding to a live performance comprises recording a live performance with at least one of an audio or video recording device.

15. (Previously Presented) A method as claimed in claim 12, wherein receiving a request comprises receiving data from the user computer, the data corresponding to at least one performer and at least one user-selectable attribute of a performance and wherein generating electronic data corresponding to a live performance comprises recording a live performance

performed by the at least one performer and including the at least one user-selectable performance attribute.

16. (Previously Presented) A method as claimed in claim 12, wherein generating electronic data corresponding to a live performance comprises:

notifying the at least one performer of the receipt of the request from the user;

providing a performance recording location at which the at least one performer may perform the requested performance;

recording a live performance by the at least one performer at the performance recording location with an electronic recording system to generate the electronic data.

17. (Currently Amended) A method as claimed in claim 16, ~~further comprising receiving with the provider computer location information corresponding to the geographic location of the user computer and providing the user computer with a communication over the network, the communication comprising an incentive to a user of the user computer to visit a specified business establishment within the vicinity of the geographic location of the user computer,~~ wherein the specified business establishment includes the performance recording location.

18. (Currently Amended) A method ~~as claimed in claim 12,~~ for operating a provider computer to provide performance data to a user computer on a network, the method comprising:

receiving a request from the user computer, the request corresponding to at least one performer;

generating electronic data corresponding to a live performance performed by the at least one performer in response to the request; and

transmitting the electronic data to the user computer over the network;

wherein the electronic data includes tactile data for operating a tactile device associated with the user computer.

19. (Cancelled)

20. (Currently Amended) A method as claimed in claim 12, ~~further comprising providing the provider computer with location information corresponding to the geographic location of the user computer and receiving by the user computer a communication over the network, the communication comprising an incentive having a value to a user of the user computer to visit a specified business establishment, wherein the incentive~~ has a value to the user and the value is dependent upon the relative distance between the geographic location of the user computer and the specified business establishment.

21. (Previously Presented) A method as claimed in claim 20, wherein the incentive value is greater for a first geographic location of the user computer than for a second geographic location of the user computer, wherein the first geographic location of the user computer is further from the specified business establishment than the second geographic location of the user computer.

22. (Previously Presented) A method as claimed in claim 12, wherein receiving a request from a user computer comprises providing a website in an on-line communication session over the network, and wherein transmitting electronic data comprises transmitting an on-line performance performed by the performer in real time during the on-line communication session, in response to request.